CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 56 as follows:

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56. (Four Times Amended) A lock, comprising:

a shell containing a hollow recess defining a longitudinal axis and an interior cylindrical surface;

a plug rotatable around said longitudinal axis while resident within said hollow recess;

an elongate member interposed between said shell and said plug to travel generally along a radial direction between a first position where said elongate member obstructs rotation between said shell and said plug by making a direct simultaneous engagement of both said shell and said plug, and in response to a torque that is externally applied to said plug and causes rotation of said plug within said shell, exiting said recess and traveling to a second position while maintaining a second simultaneous engagement of said shell and said plug that accommodates said rotation;

said plug comprising:

a first base perforated by an aperture, and a second base separated by an axial length of said plug from said first base, said second base bearing means for supporting a cam;

a logic circuit borne by said plug and rotatable with said plug, conveying said data signal between said aperture to said logic circuit; and

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an electrical operator responding to said control signals by moving independently of said travel by said elongate member in a second direction within a plane that maintains said simultaneous engagement by not aligned with said radial direction between one of a first orientation obstructing said travel and relative operable movement between said shell and said plug while said electrical operator is contained wholly within said plug, and a second and different orientation accommodating said travel and said relative operable movement between said shell and said plug, and another of said first orientation and said second orientation.